

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CASE NO. CR22-0197JLR

Plaintiff,

SHOW CAUSE ORDER

V.

JESUS RUIZ-HERNANDEZ,

Defendant.

15 On January 23, 2024, a jury found Defendant Jesus Ruiz-Hernandez guilty of 21
16 of 22 counts of human trafficking and money laundering. (*See generally* Verdict Form
17 (Dkt. ## 251 (sealed), 252 (redacted)); 2nd Superseding Indict. (Dkt. # 54).) The jury
18 was unable to return a verdict, however, on Count 9 or the special interrogatory
19 concerning Count 10. (*See* Verdict Form at 7-9.) On April 30, 2024, the court sentenced
20 Mr. Ruiz-Hernandez to 240 months of imprisonment for the offenses for which the jury
21 convicted him. (4/30/24 Min. Entry (Dkt. # 309).) Shortly after the sentencing hearing,

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1 the court entered judgment in this matter (Judgment (Dkt. # 310)), and Mr.
2 Ruiz-Hernandez filed his notice of appeal (Not. Appeal (Dkt. # 312)).

3 It was the court's understanding that Plaintiff the United States of America (the
4 "Government") did not intend to retry Count 9 or the special interrogatory concerning
5 Count 10. The court therefore ORDERS the Government to show cause why the court
6 should not dismiss Count 9 and the special interrogatory concerning Count 10 of the
7 Second Superseding Indictment. The Government must do so by no later than **12:00**
8 **p.m. PDT on Monday, May 6, 2024.**

9 Dated this 1st day of May, 2024.

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11 JAMES L. ROBART
12 United States District Judge
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